

STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 1 – 68 were pending.

Claims 1 and 61 stand rejected.

Claims 9-20, 27-60, 63-65, and 67 are withdrawn.

Claims 2-8, 21-26, 62, 66 and 68 are allowable.

Upon entry of the present amendment, claims 1, 9-20, 27-61, 63-65 and 67 stand canceled, without prejudice or disclaimer.

REMARKS

A Response after Final was submitted on June 15, 2006. In the Advisory Action dated July 6, 2006, the Examiner stated that the Response did not place the rejected claims, namely claims 1 and 61, in condition for allowance. The Examiner noted in the Advisory Action that claims 2-8, 21-26, 62, 66 and 68 are allowable.

The present amendment cancels all rejected and withdrawn claims, without prejudice or disclaimer to Applicant's right to pursue those claims in one or more divisional or continuation applications based on the present application. Applicant is filing simultaneously with the present amendment a divisional application directed to claims 9-20, 27-36, 63 and 64.

Only allowable claims 2-8, 21-26, 62, 66 and 68 are pending. Accordingly, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance. As the amendment places the application in condition for allowance, entry of the amendment is respectfully requested.

If there are any questions or outstanding matters, the Examiner is invited to contact the applicant's attorney at (215) 542-5824, so that a mutually convenient date and time for a telephonic interview may be scheduled.

Respectfully Submitted

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